

CONSERVATION CROSSFEED

Notes from AFCEE/ECC
September 2001



IT'S NOT TOO LATE!!!! LAST CALL 2001 Pulling Together Initiative Request for Proposals

Through this program, installations are eligible to receive funds for invasive species efforts. Restrictions are that they must work across boundaries with non-federal partners, and raise a challenge match (usually in-kind or contributed goods/services). Funds can be used for prevention/control/eradication of invasives, establishing partnership networks, education and awareness, and more.

The deadline to receive proposals is **6 November 2001**. This is a firm deadline, and late submittals will not be considered.

It will be posted on the FICMNEW website (), and it will also be available in the foundation's web site at www.nfwf.org.

Web Page Changes: We are constantly working to improve our cultural and natural resources web page. Current efforts are focused on posting previous and current issues of the Conservation Crossfeed. Also look for additional web links to wetlands and aquatics information and training source information. If you have any suggestions or comments please contact Julia Cantrell at DSN 240-3515; e-mail: julia.cantrell@hqafcee.brooks.af.mil.



OTHER FUNDING SOURCES:

Most of these Federal grant programs are available with partnerships with local, state, and other Federal agencies. Most do not require federal land ownership but do require matching funds. The major benefit to the DoD would be to identify areas of encroachment or potential encroachment issues and seek partnerships (and funding opportunities) with other affected partners: State and local agencies, local environmental groups. Following is a list of Grants with contact information:

Endangered Species Conservation Funds: <http://grants.fws.gov/>

Recovery Land Acquisition Grants: <http://grants.fws.gov/>

Habitat Conservation Planning Assistance Grants:

<http://grants.fws.gov/>

Candidate Conservation and Agreement & Safe Harbor

Grants: <http://grants.fws.gov/>

State Wildlife Grants: Don Morgan (Don_Morgan@fws.gov or 703/358-2106)

Land and Water Conservation Funds:

-- Land Owner Incentive Program,

-- Private Stewardship Grants Program,

North American Wetlands Conservation Act Grants Program

-- Standard Grants: Bettina Sparrowe (Bettina_Sparrowe@fws.gov or 703/358-1784)

-- Small Grants: Keith Morehouse (Keith_Morehouse@fws.gov or 703/358-1784)

-- Joint Venture: Seth Mott (Seth_Mott@fws.gov or 703/358-17984)

Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program: Martha Naley

(martha_naley@fws.gov or 703/358-2201)

National Coastal Wetlands Conservation Grant Program: Sally Valdes-Cogliano (Sally_ValdesCogliano@fws.gov or 703/358-2201)

Coastal Program: Kathi Bangert (kathi_bangert@fws.gov or 703/358-2201)

Partners in Flight and migratory bird conservation: Steve Sheffield (steven_r_sheffield@fews.gov or 703/358-1821)

Helpful Cold War Sources

Check out the Journal of Cold War Studies. The journal features peer-reviewed articles on the former Communist world and in the West focusing on reevaluations of the Cold War. The journal provides an interpretation necessitated by declassified documents and first hand accounts and new information on the Cold War. While primarily an academic publication, most of the articles make interesting reading and contribute to a greater understanding of the Cold War. The journal also provides excellent reviews of new books written on the Cold War. For subscription information contact: MIT Press Journals, Five Cambridge Center, Cambridge MA 02142-1407, telephone (617) 253-2889, fax (617) 577-1545; e-mail: journals-orders@mit.edu.

Also - see our web page at <http://www.afcee.brooks.af.mil/ec/cnr/weblinks.htm> for some interesting Cold War related web sites. For more information contact Julia Cantrell, DSN 240-3515 or julia.cantrell@hqafcee.brooks.af.mil.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

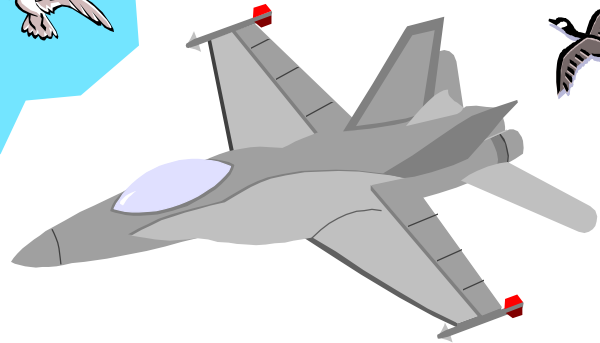
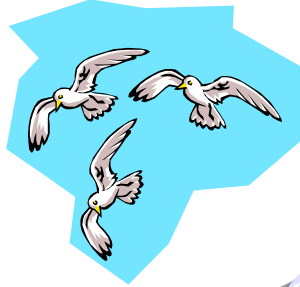
2001

Oct 14-20: National Wildlife Refuge Week,
<http://refuges.fws.gov/general/NWRSWeek.html>

Nov 6-7: RESTORING NATIVE ECOSYSTEMS,
Arbor Day Farm, Nebraska City, NE. Register
on-line at: arborday.org/RNEconference

2002

January 6-9: PHRAGMITES CONFERENCE,
Cumberland County College, NJ; Contact
Mike Weinstein (mweinstein@njmsc.org)
or visit www.njmsc.org



BIRDSTRIKE 2001

HOSTED BY BIRD STRIKE U.S.A. AND BIRD STRIKE
COMMITTEE CANADA,
27-30 AUGUST 2001, CALGARY CANADA:

This was probably one of the best conferences I have attended in many years. Approximately 400 attendees from DoD, federal, international, state, and non-governmental organizations met in Calgary.

The technical sessions included:

- presentations on bird and wildlife management strategies with emphasis on creating unattractive environments for bird and wildlife species on airfields,
- legislative requirements important in bird/wildlife management programs (i.e. Migratory Bird Treaty Act) and
- presentations on developing technology for tracking and predicting bird/wildlife activity on airfields (i.e. U.S. Bird Avoidance Model (US BAM), Avian Hazard Advisory System (AHAS)).

Technical presentations were of a high caliber. Probably one of the most chilling items discussed was the difficulty of controlling large birds (gulls, vultures) at landfills and the fact that a fair number of airports around the world are built very close to landfills. Dr. Friese, AFCEE/ECC, (DSN 240-3823) attended this conference, for more information on conference presentations or publications, contact Dr. Friese.

Other *Caring for the Land* Publications are available:

(<http://parks.state.co.us/cnap/publications.html>)

Vol. I Natural Area Partnership Initiative

Vol. II Best Management Practices for Wetlands in CO State Parks

Vol. III Native Plant Guide for Revegetation in CO

Vol. IV Integrated Weed Management Plan

Weed adaptive management plan now available on-line

Here at WISP (Wildland Invasive Species Program), we are always reminding staff that to fight invasive species successfully, they should have an adaptive management plan. We have on our web site a template you can use to write your own plan. This template is at:
<http://tncweeds.ucdavis.edu/products.html>

WISP has also developed an adaptive management plan based on this template for the Cosumnes River Preserve.

Source: TNC Invasive Species Listserve Digest #94

Creating an Integrated Weed Management Plan:

A Handbook for Owners and Managers of Lands with Natural Values is a handbook developed by the Colorado Natural Areas Program, Colorado State Parks, Colorado Department of Natural Resources; and the Division of Plant Industry, Colorado Department of Agriculture. The 349 page publication is available online at:
parks.state.co.us/cnap/IWM_handbook/IWM_index.htm

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